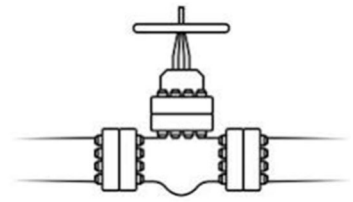


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SAVE AT HOME – *heat and cool efficiently* source: energystar.org

Heating and cooling

Nearly half of the energy used in your home goes to heating and cooling. So making smart decisions about your home's heating, ventilating, and air conditioning (HVAC) system can have a big effect on your utility bills and your comfort.

Take these steps to increase the efficiency of your heating and cooling system:

1. Change your air filter regularly

Check your filter every month, especially during heavy use months (winter & summer). If the filter looks dirty after a month, change it. At a minimum, change the filter every 3 months. A dirty filter will slow down air flow and make the system work harder—wasting energy.

2. Tune up your HVAC equipment yearly

Just as a tune up for your car can improve your gas mileage, a yearly tune up of your heating and cooling system can improve efficiency and comfort.

3. Install a smart thermostat

Smart thermostats allows you to control your home's heating and cooling temperature settings from home or your computer or a "smart" device. Homes with high heating and cooling bills as well as homes that are unoccupied for much of the day can save approximately

\$100/year with an *energy star* certified smart thermostat.

4. Seal your heating and cooling ducts

Ducts that move air to-and-from a forced air furnace, central AC, or heat pump are often big energy wasters. Sealing and insulating ducts can improve the efficiency of your heating and colling system by as much as 20% or more.

5. Consider installing energy efficient heating and cooling equipment.

If your HVAC equipment is more than 10 years old or is not keeping your house comfortable, have it evaluated by a professional HVAC contractor. If it is not performing efficiently or needs upgrading, consider replacing it with a unit that has earned the energy star. This can cut your annual energy bill by nearly \$140.

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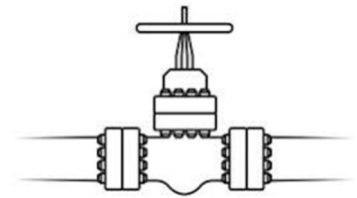
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How Oil and Natural Gas Industry is Vital to New Mexico

New Mexico's oil and natural gas industry plays a vital role in the state's economy and energy security. Read below to find out how.

1. Energy security:

New Mexico's oil and natural gas industry helps to ensure the state has reliable supply of energy, reducing dependence on volatile foreign nations.

2. Economic benefits:

The industry provides jobs and funding for our communities.

3. Versatility:

Oil and natural gas is used for a variety of purposes, including transportation, heating, cooking, electricity, and everyday products.

4. Environmental Benefits:

Advances in technology and our industry's ability to exceed regulatory standards have led to cleaner and safer

production methods, reducing the environmental impact of the industry.

5. National Security:

Advances in technology and our industry's ability to exceed regulatory standards have led to cleaner and safer production methods, reducing the environmental impact of the industry.

6. Infrastructure:

The industry also generates significant revenue for the state, which can be used to improve infrastructure and public safety services.

7. State Revenue:

Oil and natural gas revenue is a significant source of funding for our state which is used to fund education, healthcare, and other public services.

8. Jobs:

The oil and natural gas industry supports over 134,000 jobs, *Source: nmoga.org*

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IF YOU SMELL GAS...

SAFETY

Did you know that while natural gas is safe to use in your home, a **gas leak could be dangerous?**

The RNG natural gas is odorized. RNG delivers odorized natural gas in pipelines ranging in size from 1" to 6". You can recognize a natural gas leak in several ways, including an unusual hissing noise, blowing dirt for no apparent reason, an unusual dry spot in the ground or dead vegetation for no apparent reason, bubbling water, and frozen ground in warm weather.

If you ever smell natural gas inside or outside your home, leave the area immediately! Then from a safe distance, call 911 and then call Raton Natural Gas Company at 575.447.0088. *RNG is available 24 hours a day every day of the year at 575.447.0088. We'll investigate and let you know when it's safe to return.*